

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

SB 2414 - HB 2574

February 12, 2012

SUMMARY OF BILL: Authorizes the Commissioner of Health or the health-related licensing boards to temporarily suspend a practitioner's license if a practitioner is under state or federal indictment in Tennessee for an offense involving the sale or dispensing of controlled substances. Requires the suspension to remain in effect until the underlying indictment is finally resolved. Authorizes the Commissioner to promulgate rules in accordance with the Uniform Administrative Procedures Act to implement this section.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- Currently, licenses are only summarily suspended pursuant to the procedure laid out in Tenn. Code Ann. § 4-5-320(d), which includes notice and an informal hearing, review, or conference either before the summary suspension or within seven days after the issuance of the summary suspension.
- Any rulemaking and disciplinary actions authorized by this legislation can be accomplished within existing resources of the Department or the Division of Health Related Boards.
- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 4-3-1011 and Tenn. Code Ann. § 68-11-216, all health-related boards are required to be self-supporting over a two-year period. As of June 30, 2011, the Division of Health Related Boards had a cumulative balance of \$10,859,982.82, and the Board for Licensing Health Care Facilities had a balance of \$594,768.55.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lucian D. Geise".

Lucian D. Geise, Executive Director

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